

# 2010



## Everything you need to know to cast your vote...

A Guide to Voting in Hawaii

**Primary Election**  
Saturday, September 18, 2010

**General Election**  
Tuesday, November 2, 2010

Your polling place may have changed—check your  
Yellow Voter Card or contact your local election official

Hawaii Votes

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# Voter Registration

## REGISTERING TO VOTE IS EASY.

You must meet the following qualifications to vote:

- Citizen of the United States
- Resident of the State of Hawaii
- At least 16 years old to register (18 years to vote)

**Re-register if you have changed your name or address since the last election!**

You may also register in person at any of the offices listed on **page 7**, or—even easier—by filling out a Wikiwiki Voter Registration Affidavit and mailing it in.

## VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

- Primary Election: Thursday, August 19, 2010
- General Election: Monday, October 4, 2010

## WIKIWIKI VOTER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVITS ARE AVAILABLE AT:

- All U.S. Post Offices
- The Official Hawaiian Telcom Yellow Pages
- Ad Ventures Hawaii Hawaiian Telephone Book
- Office of Elections Website: [www.hawaii.gov/elections](http://www.hawaii.gov/elections)
- State of Hawaii Tax Booklet
- Office of the City/County Clerk
- All Public Libraries
- Most state agencies

## FIRST TIME VOTERS REGISTERING TO VOTE BY MAIL MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION:

- A copy of a current, valid photo ID, or
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows your name and address.

## VOTER NOTIFICATION CARDS

- Are mailed to all voters during the election year
- Will be sent to the voter indicating the election they are registered to vote in and the location of the polling place



*Did you know? You don't need a reason or an excuse to vote by absentee mail.*

# Absentee Voting

One of the most convenient ways to vote is by absentee ballot—by mail or in person.

To vote absentee, you must be registered to vote.

## ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL

You have two options to vote by mail:

- Absentee Voting: Vote by mail for the upcoming primary and/or general election.
- Permanent Absentee: Apply once and ballots will be mailed to you for this and all future elections. However, you must regularly vote AND keep your voter information current.

You must write a letter or submit an absentee application to the City/County Clerk where you are registered to vote. You will need to specify the address you want your ballots mailed to.

Absentee Applications accepted from July 20, 2010 until:

### Primary

Saturday, September 11, 2010

### General

Tuesday, October 26, 2010

## ABSENTEE VOTING IN PERSON

You must vote at an absentee polling place established by the City/County Clerk where you are registered to vote.

Absentee Voting-in-person dates:

### Primary

September 3 – 16, 2010

### General

October 19 – 30, 2010

## UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS

The purpose of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) is to permit:

- Absent uniformed services and overseas citizens to use absentee procedures to vote by absentee ballot in the primary, general, and special elections for Federal offices.
- These individuals to use a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) in the General Election for Federal offices.

For additional questions on registering and absentee voting procedures for Uniformed and Overseas Citizens contact:

Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)

Phone: 1-800-438-VOTE (8683)

Email: [vote@fvap.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.gov)

Website: [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov)

Download an absentee application at [www.hawaii.gov/elections](http://www.hawaii.gov/elections) or call 211.

# Primary Election

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2010**

REGISTER TO VOTE BY THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2010

The Primary Election is a nomination process to choose candidates who will represent the political parties at the General Election. You, the voter, select the candidates of the political party of your choice. Your choice of party and candidates remains secret.

In the Primary Election, you must select only one party in the **Select a Party** section of the ballot card, then vote for the party that you selected.

If you do not select a party and you vote in more than one party ballot in this section, your vote will not be counted.

Vote only for the candidates of the party you selected.  
Votes for another party's candidates will not be counted.

**Your selected party ballot may be on the back side of the ballot card, check both sides before voting.**

# General Election

**NOVEMBER 2, 2010**

REGISTER TO VOTE BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2010

Candidates nominated in the Primary Election compete in the General Election. Federal and State offices are posted on one ballot by contest. Candidates are listed alphabetically and their partisan/non-partisan affiliation is noted. Candidates for county offices, Board of Education and the position of trustee for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs appear on a separate ballot.

Since the General Election is a candidate contest, voters may vote for the candidate of their choice regardless of partisan and nonpartisan affiliation. Be careful to determine the number of candidates you are entitled to vote for in each contest.

**Voting for more candidates than allowed in a contest will invalidate your vote.**

Make sure  
to look at  
**BOTH SIDES**  
of your  
ballot before  
voting!

Your selected  
party ballot  
may be on  
the back  
side of the  
ballot card.





Vote Both Sides

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REPUBLICAN  
PARTY BALLOT (R)

U.S. Senator  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2

U.S. Representative  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2

Governor  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3  
☐ Candidate 4

Lieutenant Governor  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3

State Senator  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2

State Representative  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2

County Board  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3  
☐ Candidate 4  
☐ Candidate 5

Precinct **SOHCC**

SPECIAL  
NONPARTISAN  
OFFICES BALLOT (NS)

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FIRST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
4th Departmental School District Seat  
(Central)  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3

1st Departmental School District Seat  
(Windward)  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3

No Departmental School District  
Seat  
(Leeward)  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3  
☐ Candidate 4

CITY & COUNTY OF  
HONOLULU

County Board  
Vote for Not More than One (1)  
☐ Candidate 1  
☐ Candidate 2  
☐ Candidate 3  
☐ Candidate 4  
☐ Candidate 5

BACK

Vote Both Sides

FOID AND TEAR HERE

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Reinforced plastic is to be used before voting.

2. Please use a pen or blue pen to make your choices on the ballot. Do not use your fingers to tear, scratch, or scratch your choices in any way.

3. You must have one ballot per ballot or non-partisan ballot only.

4. Vote only in the boxes for your choices.

5. Marking choices that are not correct.

6. Non-voting.

Correct

Incorrect

STATE OF HAWAII - PRIMARY ELECTION  
September 18, 2010

You will find a list of candidates for the Board of Education and other non-partisan county elections. You may vote for these candidates in addition to your party choice.

Each political party, including the nonpartisan candidates, is indicated by its own ballot. You must select a party in the **Select a Party** section of the ballot card. If you do not select a party and you vote in more than one party ballot, your votes for partisan contests will not be counted. Vote only for the candidates of the party you selected.

It is very important that you fill in the box completely. Your ballot may not count if marked incorrectly.

# Election Day Information

## POLLING PLACES AND HOURS

### Polling places are open from

7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

To avoid long lines at the polls, vote during non-peak hours:

- In the morning between 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- In the afternoon between 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## TIME OFF FOR VOTING

You may be allowed two hours of time away from work to vote. We encourage you to coordinate time off with your employer by voting before or after work if possible.

### *Know Your Polling Place!*

Many polling places have changed for these elections. To avoid being inconvenienced on election day, check your Yellow Voter Card or call your local elections office to verify your polling place.



## At the Polling Place

Proceed to the following stations in the following order and a precinct official will assist you:

- **Information and Ballot Demonstration Station** to check that your name is on the List of Registered Voters and confirm that you are in the correct polling place.
- **Poll Book Station** to verify the information in the Poll Book (with a valid picture ID) and sign the Poll Book.
- **Ballot Issuing Station** to receive your paper ballot and ballot secrecy sleeve from a precinct official **OR** access code to vote on the Direct Recording Electronic voting system.
- **Ballot Box Station** to cast your paper ballot by depositing it into the precinct counter machine.

## Provisional Voting

If election officials cannot locate a person's name on the official list of registered voters, the voter has an option to vote a provisional ballot if s/he is in the correct polling place. The provisional ballot will be counted (after a check of existing records) only if the county clerk determines that the person was properly registered to vote. People who cast a provisional ballot may call 211 after the election to find out whether their ballot was counted, and if not, why it was not counted.

## Complaints

A complaint may be filed by any person who believes that there is a violation of any provision of Title III of the Help America Vote Act, including violations which have occurred, are occurring, or are about to occur. Complaints must be filed in writing and must be notarized, signed, and sworn by the complaint filer. If a final determination cannot be made within 90 days, the complaint shall be resolved via an alternative dispute resolution process. Voters who believe their rights have been violated should contact the Office of Elections immediately.



## Questions? Call 211

Call 211 for more information about voter registration, volunteering to work at the polls, or other election information.

### **211 hours are as follows:**

Monday – Friday, 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Closed on weekends and holidays

## Contact Information

### **STATE OFFICE OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY CLERKS**

#### **CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER**

State of Hawaii  
Office of Elections  
802 Lehua Avenue  
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782  
(808) 453-VOTE (8683)  
N.I. Toll Free: 1-800-442-VOTE (8683)  
TTY: (808) 453-6150  
Toll Free TTY: 1-800-345-5915

#### **COUNTY CLERK OF HAWAII**

County of Hawaii  
25 Aupuni Street, Room 1502  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720-4245  
(808) 961-8277  
TTY: (808) 961-8985

#### **COUNTY CLERK OF KAUAI**

County of Kauai  
Elections Division  
4386 Rice Street, Room 101  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766-1819  
(808) 241-4800  
TTY: (808) 241-5116

#### **CITY CLERK OF HONOLULU**

City & County of Honolulu  
Honolulu Hale  
530 South King Street, Room 100  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-3099  
(808) 768-3800  
TTY: (808) 768-3848

#### **COUNTY CLERK OF MAUI**

County of Maui  
200 South High Street, Room 708  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-2155  
(808) 270-7749  
TTY: (808) 270-7849

## Voter Requiring Special Assistance

All polling places will be equipped with an accessible voting machine and auxiliary aids kit to assist voters with disabilities. The auxiliary aids kit includes magnifiers, signature guides, and communication cards for voters who are Deaf or hard of hearing. Please see the polling place precinct official to request the auxiliary aids kit or for assistance.

This information is available in alternate format by contacting the Office of Elections at phone 808-453-VOTE (8683), 808-453-6150 TTY.

### **VOTER RIGHTS**

1. Your right to vote—anyone who is properly registered may vote in any election [HRS 11-11].
2. Your right to secrecy of voting—A voter may keep his or her vote and political party preference secret. No one may look at or ask to see a voter's ballot [HRS 11-137].
3. Your right to special assistance—A voter who is disabled or unable to read and/or write, may receive special assistance [HRS 11-139].
4. Your right to time off for voting—A voter may take off from work in order to vote [HRS 11-95].
5. Your right to spoil the ballot—Any voter may spoil a ballot and obtain another upon returning the spoiled one. Before returning the spoiled ballot, the voter shall conform to the procedures in order to retain secrecy of the vote [HRS 11-140].
6. Your right to vote by absentee ballot—Any person registered to vote may cast an absentee ballot [HRS 15-2].
7. Your right to challenge—On election day, any registered voter who is at the rightful polling place may challenge another voter's right to vote [HRS 11-25(b)]. Grounds for challenge are the person's identity and residency.
8. Your right to appeal challenge decisions—Any challenged voter may appeal the decision of the city/county clerk or precinct official to the appropriate county Board of Registration (BOR) [HRS 11-26]. A person affected by the BOR's decision may appeal the decision to the Hawaii State Supreme Court [HRS 11-51].



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